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Seventh Judicial District, Fremont County

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF FREMONT

STATE OF IDAHO

Case No. CR22-21-1624

Plaintiff,

V.

LORI NORENE VALLOW aka LORI NORENE VALLOW DAYBELL,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM DECISION and ORDER PROHIBITING VIDEO AND PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Pending before the Court is the Defendant's MOTION TO CLARIFY MEDIA IN THE COURTROOM, filed August 30, 2022, requesting cameras to be banned from future proceedings.¹ On September 8, 2022, several non-party media entities ("Media") sought and obtained permission from the Court to file as Interested Persons a RESPONSE to Defendant's MOTION, arguing the Media had at no time failed to comply with Orders of this Court governing media coverage of in-court proceedings.² On September 12, 2022, the State filed a CONCURRENCE with the Defendant's MOTION.³ On September 15, 2022, the Court heard argument on the issue at a hearing. Having fully reviewed the record, relevant rules, and case law, and upon the request of Counsel, this Court enters the following Order.

I. Background

A sacrosanct protection of the penal system in the United States of America is the insistence of a fair trial by an impartial jury to those accused of even the most severe crimes as set forth in

¹ MOT. TO CLARIFY MEDIA IN THE COURTROOM. Aug. 30, 2022.

² Interested Persons' Response to Def.'s Mot. to Clarify Media in the Courtroom. Sept. 8, 2022.

³ STATE'S RESPONSE AND CONCURRENCE TO DEF.'S MOT. TO CLARIFY. Sept. 12, 2022.